

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of John Ashcroft, to be U.S. Attorney General.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 234–244, and S. Con. Res. 7.

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**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador on Tuesday, February 6, 2001, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 4:15 p.m.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 58 yeas 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 8), John Ashcroft, of Missouri, to be Attorney General.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Paul Henry O'Neill, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of five years; United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the African Development Bank for a term of five years; United States Governor of the Asian Development Bank; United States Governor of the African Development Fund; United States Governor of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service.

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—8)

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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 2:53 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, February 5, 2001, in pro forma session. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1023.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 107th Congress, and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Aviation:* Senators Hutchison (Chairman), Stevens, Burns, Lott, Snowe, Brownback, Smith (of Or.), Fitzgerald, Ensign, Rockefeller, Hollings, Inouye, Breaux, Dorgan, Wyden, Cleland, Edwards, and Carnahan.

*Subcommittee on Communications:* Senators Burns (Chairman), Stevens, Lott, Hutchison, Snowe, Brownback, Smith (of Or.), Fitzgerald, Ensign, Allen, Hollings, Inouye, Kerry, Breaux, Rockefeller, Dorgan, Wyden, Cleland, Boxer, and Edwards.

*Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism:* Senators Fitzgerald (Chairman), Burns, Brownback, Smith (of Or.), Ensign, Allen, Dorgan, Rockefeller, Wyden, Boxer, Edwards, and Carnahan.

*Subcommittee on Manufacturing and Competitiveness:* Senators Ensign (Chairman), Brownback, Fitzgerald, Wyden, Hollings, and Rockefeller.

*Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries:* Senators Snowe (Chairman), Stevens, Hutchison, Smith (of Or.), Fitzgerald, Kerry, Hollings, Inouye, Breaux, and Boxer.

*Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space:* Senators Brownback (Chairman), Stevens, Burns, Lott, Hutchison, Fitzgerald, Allen, Breaux, Rockefeller, Kerry, Dorgan, Cleland, Edwards, and Carnahan.

*Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine:* Senators Smith (of Or.) (Chairman), Stevens, Burns, Lott, Hutchison, Snowe, Brownback, Fitzgerald, Ensign, Inouye, Rockefeller, Kerry, Breaux, Dorgan, Wyden, Cleland, Boxer, and Carnahan.

#### AIRLINES INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the effects of the American Airlines' proposed acquisition of Trans World Airlines (TWA), and part of DC Air, and other airline industry consolidation on competition and the consumer, after receiving testimony from Senators Bond and DeWine; Representative Meeks and Slaughter; JayEtta Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office; Missouri Governor Bob Holden, Jefferson City; Donald Carty, American Airlines, Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas; William F. Compton, Trans World Airlines, St.

Louis, Missouri; Robert L. Johnson, DC Air, Washington, D.C.; Joe Leonard, AirTran Airways, Orlando, Florida; and Michael E. Levine, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

#### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HUMAN CAPITAL

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia held hearings to examine the decision of the General Accounting Office to place strategic human capital management on GAO's "High-Risk" list of federal agencies and programs that are vulnerable to waste, fraud, abuse and mismanagement, including administrative and legislative solutions to the human capital crisis, receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at 2 p.m.

### Committee Meetings

No Committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2001

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### House

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 5 through February 10, 2001

##### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will meet in pro forma session.

On *Tuesday*, At 2:15 p.m., Senate will consider the nomination of Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur at 4:15 p.m.

On *Wednesday*, Senate expects to consider the proposed United Nations due bill.

On *Thursday*, Senate expects to consider S. 235, Pipeline Safety.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Armed Services:* February 8, to hold hearings on the Secretary's priorities and plans for the Department of Energy national security programs, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* February 7, to hold hearings to examine how to establish an effective, modern framework for export controls, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* February 6, to hold hearings to examine long term budgetary issues, 10:30 a.m., SD-608.

February 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the impact of demographic trends on the budget and long-term fiscal policy, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 7, business meeting to consider committee rules of procedures, subcommittee jurisdiction and membership, and proposed legislation to amend the Admiral James W. Nance and Meg Donovan Foreign Relations Authorizations Act, Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, to adjust a condition on the payment of arrearages to the United Nations that sets the maximum share of any United Nations peacekeeping operation's budget that may be assessed of any country, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 8, to hold hearings to examine the Department of